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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 18 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Appointment of the Secretary-General

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 3

Action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items 60, 61, 63-81:

Agenda items [67] (A/51/113-S/1996/276, 117-S/1996/290, 216-S/1996/563, 286, A/C.1/51/L.28/Rev.2, L.54); [71] (A/51/27, 42, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 127, 131, 136, 137, 139, 157, 159-S/1996/418, 163, 165-S/1996/435, 167, 169-S/1996/444, 174, 181, 188-S/1996/511, 207, 208-S/1996/543, 214, 218, 220, 224, 262, 266-S/1996/621, 279, 300, Add.1 and Add.2, 393, 452, 462-S/1996/831, 648-S/1996/900, A/C.1/51/7, 11, 12, 13, A/C.1/51/L.11/Rev.2, L.38/Rev.1, L.48/Rev.1, L.49, L.50, L.51, L.53); [72] (A/51/27, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 137, 188-S/1996/511, 219, 274-S/1996/631, 287, 403, 445, 648-S/1996/900, A/C.1/51/L. 48/Rev.1, L.52); [74] (A/51/446, A/C.1/51/L.27/Rev.2)

Launching of the United Nations Consolidated Inter-Agency Flash Appeal for the Great Lakes Region in Response to the Crisis in Eastern Zaire

The launching by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Consolidated Inter-Agency Flash Appeal for the Great Lakes Region in Response to the Crisis in Eastern Zaire covering the period 1 November 1996 to 31 January 1997 will take place on Monday, 18 November 1996, at 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 1 p.m.	15th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	16th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [86] (A/51/98-S/1996/270, A/51/ 130, A/C.4/51/L.9 and L.10*)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. **Macroeconomic policy questions [94]**

   (a) External debt crisis and development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.24

   (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/51/L.26 and L.28

   (c) Trade and development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.25

2. **Training and research [99]**

   (a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.27

3. **Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]**

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/51/L.29 and L.30

Informal consultations

Morning*- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/ 51/L.14 (item 94 (d)), A/C.2/51/L.16 (item 94 (c)) and A/C.2/51/ L.18 (item 96 (f))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/ 51/L.13 (item 96 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.17 (item 96 (c)), A/C.2/51/ L.22 (item 96 (g)), A/C.2/51/L.23 (item 96), A/C.2/51/L.6 (item 97 (e)) and A/C.2/51/L.7 (item 97 (d))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	41st meeting	Conference Room 1

1. **Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/ 51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)**

2. **Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/ 536*, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/ 552*, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/ 650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)**

3. **Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/ 460, A/51/466*, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538*, A/51/556, A/51/557*, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/ 51/663, A/51/665, A/51/483/Add.2, A/51/496/Add.1, A/51/ 80-S/1996/194, A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/ 204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/ C.3/ 51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/ 13*)**

4. **Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)**

5. **Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)**

   Continuation of general discussion

   Introduction of reports of the Special Representatives and Special Rapporteurs

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	42nd meeting	Conference Room 1

1. **Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/ 51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)**

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* Following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Second Committee.

* To be issued.

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536*, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552*, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466*, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538*, A/51/556, A/51/557*, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/51/483/Add.2, A/51/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194, A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13*)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Continuation of general discussion

6. Advancement of Women [103]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.17/Rev.1, L.19 and L.21**

7. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.31

8. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.30

9. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.23 and L.27

10. Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.25

11. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.32

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Human rsources magement (A/C.5/49/63, A/C.5/49/64, A/C.5/50/64, A/C.5/51/1, A/C.5/51/3, A/C.5/51/6, A/C.5/51/7, A/51/304 and Corr.1 and A/51/421 and Corr.1))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Pattern of conferences (A/51/32, A/51/125, A/51/253, A/51/268 and Corr.1, A/51/337 and A/C.5/51/22))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 2

United Nations Decade of International Law [145] (A/51/278 and Add.1, A/C.6/51/L.6)

WORKING GROUP ON THE QUESTION CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER RELATED TO THE ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE CHARTER

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

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* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the meeting of the Working Group on the Question Concerning the Implementation of the Provisions of the Charter related to the Assistance to Third States Affected by the Application of Sanctions under Chapter VII of the Charter.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1996

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 18 November 1996

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: for the core group on the draft resolution on Habitat)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Third Committee matters: on the draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE: CONTACT GROUP ON BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.30 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: briefing by the Coordinator on draft resolutions: culture and development)

1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: coordination meeting on all outstanding resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.- 7 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Briefings

The New York City Chief of Police, Commissioner Howard Safir, will address delegations in an open meeting on matters concerning the United Nations diplomatic community on Monday, 18 November 1996, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The briefing will be followed by a question-and-answer period.

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The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, will hold a briefing for non-governmental organizations on current developments in the country on Monday, 18 November 1996, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room B. Representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 19 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 59th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Reponsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the third annual report of the International Tribunal (A/51/292-S/1996/665) [50].

2. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [40]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/338);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.18).

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [30]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/380 and Add.1);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.8).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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The 178th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva (from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo, Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598)).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics of the Economic and Social Council, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmed Kamal, Permanent Representative of Pakistan, on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a Meeting of States Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to adopt a resolution on the "Text on the Establishment of a Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization" (document CTBT/MSS/L.1 of 17 October 1996). Representatives of States Signatories of the Treaty are reminded that credentials in due form signed by the head of State or Government, the foreign minister or other authority responsible for foreign affairs should be forwarded to the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (room 3170C) as soon as possible.

The first session of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization will take place from 20 to 22 November 1996 at United Nations Headquarters. The opening meeting will begin on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. Representatives of States Signatories of the Treaty are reminded that credentials in due form signed by the head of State or Government, the foreign minister or other authority responsible for foreign affairs should be forwarded to the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (Room 3170C) as soon as possible.

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The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, will hold a briefing for delegations of Member States on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Presentation

A presentation and discussion on "Caring for the Future: A Radical Agenda for Positive Change", organized by the Office of Development Studies of the United Nations Development Programme and the Society for International Development (New York Chapter), will take place on Tuesday, 19 November 1996, at 5.30 p.m. in the Hank Shannon Conference Room (located on the 21st floor of DC1 Building). Mr. Anders Wijkman, Member of the Independent Commission on Population and Quality of Life, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support (BPPS) of UNDP, will be the speaker.

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 14 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 37th meeting

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda sub-item 110 (a).

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Nepal, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Chile, China, Slovenia and Sri Lanka.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-item 110 (a).

38th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(b) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(c) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-items.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

Members of the Committee engaged in a dialogue with the High Commissioner.

Statements were made by the representatives of Latvia, the Russian Federation, Côte d'Ivoire, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Poland, Tunisia, South Africa, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Estonia, Mexico, China, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, Venezuela, Mali and Malaysia.

In the general debate, statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Georgia and Cape Verde.

The representatives of the Sudan and Australia made statements in the exercise of their right of reply.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 105.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.16

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that the Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Togo, Tunisia and France had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Secretary made a statement.

The representative of Jordan introduced an oral revision to the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as further orally revised without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.24

The Chairman announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Argentina, the Czech Republic, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Japan, Madagascar, Namibia, Peru, San Marino, South Africa, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo and Zambia had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.28

The Chairman announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Togo had joined as a co-sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

55th meeting

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Council continued consideration of the item and had before it document E/1996/94.

The Council endorsed the decision by the Secretary-General to approve the applications of Australia and Spain for full membership in the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

Coordination questions [9]

(a) Reports of the Coordination bodies

Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11]

The Council took note of the report contained in document E/1996/18 and Add.1 and the relevant parts of the report contained in document A/51/16 (Part II), thus concluding its consideration of agenda item 9 (a) and item 9 as a whole, and agenda item 11.

Non-governmental organizations [10]

The Council resumed consideration of the item and had before it documents E/1996/102 and E/1996/L.55.

Action on draft decision I

The Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Karel Kovanda (Czech Republic), informed the Council of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft decision and orally amended the text.

Before the adoption of the draft decision, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Tunisia, the United States and Cuba.

The Council then adopted the draft decision, after which the representative of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement.

Action on draft decision II

The representative of Japan corrected the spelling of the organization called the Sasagawa Peace Foundation.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Cuba.

The Council then adopted the draft decision.

Action on draft decision III

Action on the draft decision was postponed to the next meeting of the Council.

Action on draft decision E/1996/L.55

The representative of the Bahamas introduced and orally revised the draft decision contained in document E/1996/L.55, entitled "Participation of non-governmental organizations accredited to the Fourth World Conference on Women in the work of the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-first session".

The Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs of the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development (DPCSD) made a statement.

The Council then adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Other matters

The President informed the Council that the Government of Liechtenstein had recommended that the provisional status of L'Auravetl'an Foundation be removed and that the Foundation be considered as fully accredited to the Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights to elaborate a draft declaration on the rights of indigenous people from organizations of indigenous people not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

The Council then adopted the recommendation.

Change of dates for the 1997 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Council approved the request of the Committee to change the date of the 1997 session of the Committee to 5-16 May 1997. The President informed the Council that this change of date had been approved by Conference Services.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Elections [14]

The Council began consideration of agenda item 14.

Committee on New and Renewable Source of Energy and on Energy for Development

The Council had before it document E/1996/L.15/Add.2.

The Council elected by acclamation Mr. José María Gamio Cia (Uruguay) to serve on the Committee for a term beginning on 1 January 1997.

The President reminded the Council that the terms of the members would be determined by lot when the membership of the Committee was complete.

Commission for Social Development

The Council had before it document E/1996/95 and Corr.1.

The Council elected by acclamation the following 7 new members of the Commission for Social development: Cameroon, Gambia, Malta, Mauritania, Pakistan, Spain and Uganda.

The Council postponed to a later date, the election of the remaining 7 new members of the Commission: three members from the Asian States Group, 1 member from the Eastern European States Group and three members from the Latin American and Caribbean States Group.

Statements were made by the representatives of Lebanon and Pakistan.

Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [13]

The President informed the Council that this agenda item would be considered at the next meeting.

Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to general Assembly resolution 50/106 [6]

(i) Business and development

The Council continued consideration of the item and had before it documents E/1996/106, E/1996/L.26/Rev.1 and E/1996/L.56.

The President informed the Council that document E/1996/L.26/Rev.2 would be available for consideration at the next meeting of the Council.

Friday, 15 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3712th meeting

The situation in Croatia

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (S/1996/883)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Croatia, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution (S/1996/938) which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1996/938).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1996/938) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1079 (1996).

3713th meeting

The situation in Great Lakes region

Letter dated 14 November 1996 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1996/941)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Congo, Denmark, Finland, Gabon, Ireland, Israel, Luxembourg, Mali, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Spain, Sweden and Zaire, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution, contained in document S/1996/943, which had been submitted by Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Botswana, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Congo, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Mali, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Zaire.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Zaire, Rwanda, Burundi and Canada.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1996/943).

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of France, the United Kingdom, China, Botswana, Germany, the Republic of Korea, Egypt, Guinea-Bissau, Poland, Honduras, Italy, Chile, the Russian Federation and the United States, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Indonesia.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1996/943) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1080 (1996).

Subsequently, the President read out a letter from the Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council to be issued as document S/1996/949.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE — 24th meeting

Action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

Statements were made by the representative of Egypt (who introduced the revised text of draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.27/Rev.1 and L.28/Rev.2), Israel, Turkey and Cuba.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.3 was adopted by a recorded vote of 142 to none, with 2 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of India, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba and Pakistan.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.15 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, a statement was made by the representative of China.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.1/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 144 to none, with 2 abstentions.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, the United States, Turkey, Chile, Paraguay, Mauritius and Kyrgyzstan.

Statements were made by the representative of Mexico (who introduced draft decision A/C.1/51/L.7).

Draft decision A/C.1/51/L.7 was adopted by a recorded vote of 92 to none, with 53 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.38/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of China, the United States, Mexico and Egypt.

Statements were made by the representatives of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Mexico and China.

Draft decision A/C.1/51/L.22 was adopted by a recorded vote of 95 to none, with 51 abstentions.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Ukraine.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.42/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to none, with 7 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Chile, Algeria, Uganda, Iraq, Colombia and Costa Rica.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, France, Algeria, Poland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Colombia and Nigeria.

The Committee decided to extend the deadline for submission of draft resolutions under agenda item 62 until Wednesday, 20 November, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE 39th and 40th meetings

Note: The summary of the 39th and 40th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/225).

SIXTH COMMITTEE 41st and 42nd meetings

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146]

Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Argentina, Viet Nam, Algeria, Ireland, Israel, United States, Uruguay, Sri Lanka, China, Italy, Republic of Korea, Cuba, India and Mexico, as well as by the observer for Switzerland.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission also made a statement.

The Chairman also spoke.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE 224th meeting

The Committee welcomed the decision of the Government of South Africa to participate in the Committee as an observer.

Statements were made by the Chairman and the representative of South Africa.

Statements were also made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine and the representatives of Afghanistan and Tunisia.

Consideration of the draft report of the Committee to the General Assembly (A/AC.183/1996/CRP.2)

The Rapporteur of the Committee introduced the draft report of the Committee.

The representative of the Department of Public Information made a statement.

Statements were also made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine, as well as the representatives of Egypt and Tunisia.

The Committee adopted its annual report for submission to the General Assembly.

Other matters

The Chairman and the Permanent Observer of Palestine made statements.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 1996

270th and 271st (closed) meetings

Consideration of information received under article 20 of the Convention [5]

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Commission continued its consideration of the items in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 20 December 1988

Ratification: Hungary (15 November 1996)*

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documentation.

International Sugar Agreement, concluded at Geneva on 20 March 1992

Accession: Philippines (14 November 1996)*

International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994, concluded at Geneva on 26 January 1994

Acceptance: United States of America (14 November 1996)*

International Grains Agreement, 1995,

(a) Grains Trade Convention, 1995, concluded in London on 7 December 1994

Accession: South Africa (14 November 1996)*

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance, done at New York on 20 June 1956

Accession: Belarus (14 November 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Kenya (14 November 1996)

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Union

There will be an extraordinary general meeting of the Staff Union on Monday, 18 November 1996, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Cameroon
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Mpay
Chargé d'affaires

Asian States:
Lebanon
H.E. Mr. Samir Moubarak

Eastern European States:
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
H.E. Mr. Denko Maleski

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Miss M. Patricia Durrant

Western European and Other States:
Belgium
H.E. Mr. Alex Reyn

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 19 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	3714th meeting (closed)	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of agenda
2. Recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary General of the United Nations

Morning*	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

1. The situation in the Great Lakes region

   Briefing by the Secretariat
2. Other matters

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* Following the adjournment of the 3714th (closed) meeting.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled. *Today*'s briefing will take place in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 59th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Reponsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the third annual report of the International Tribunal (A/51/292-S/1996/665) [50].

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [30]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/380 and Add.1);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.8).

3. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [40]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/338);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.18).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 17th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [86] (A/51/98-S/1996/270; A/51/130; A/C.4/51/L.9 and L.10*)

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.16 and A/C.2/51/L.25 (item 94 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.18 (item 96 (f)) and A/C.2/51/ L.27 (item 99 (a))

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.22 (item 96 (g)), A/C.2/51/L.17 (item 96 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.19 (item 96 (d)), A/C.2/51/L.23 (item 96), A/C.2/51/L.10 (item 97 (a)) and A/C.2/51/L.7 (item 97 (d))

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.2 (item 12), A/C.2/51/L.8 (item 98), and A/C.2/51/L.12 (item 95 (a))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 43rd meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/ 650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

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* To be issued.

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/51/483/Add.2, A/51/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194, A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Continuation of general discussion

6. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.34 and L.35

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 44th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558*, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/51/483/Add.2, A/51/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194, A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Continuation of general discussion

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 30th meeting — Conference Room 3

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111] (A/49/368, A/49/943, A/49/985, A/C.5/50/51, A/51/5 Vol. I-IV, A/51/5/Add.1-10, A/51/283, A/51/488 and Add.1, A/51/523 and A/51/533)

Continuation of general discussion

2. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [117] (A/51/505 and A/51/523)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141] (A/50/945, A/50/1004, A/50/1005, A/51/302, A/51/305, A/51/432, A/51/467, A/51/486 and A/51/430 and Corr.1)

Continuation of general discussion

Informal consultations

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Programme Planning (A/51/6 (Perspective), A/51/6 (Note), A/51/6 (fascicle), A/51/6 (Prog.9)/Rev.1, A/51/6 (Prog.11)/Rev.1, A/51/16 (Parts I and II), A/C.5/51/10 and A/C.5/51/19))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on draft resolutions concerning the "Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session"

3 p.m. — 43rd meeting — Conference Room 2

United Nations Decade of International Law [145] (A/C.6/51/L.6, A/51/278 and Add.1)

WORKING GROUP ON THE QUESTION CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER RELATED TO THE ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE CHARTER

Afternoon*	2nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Integrated Management Information System project

COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	178th meeting	Conference Room 8

1. Consideration of the draft Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (documents A/AC.154/1996/CRP.1 and CRP.2);
2. Responsibilities of permanent missions to the United Nations and their personnel, in particular the problem of claims of financial indebtedness and procedures to be followed with a view to resolving the issues relating thereto;
3. Other matters

STAFF PENSION COMMITTEE

9.15 p.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON INFORMATICS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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GROUP OF 77
(Third Committee matters: on the draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development)

12 noon 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

AFRICAN GROUP
(Fifth Committee matters)

1.15 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.30 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

MEETING OF STATES SIGNATORIES OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST-BAN TREATY
(To adopt a resolution establishing the Preparatory Commission of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

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The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, will hold a briefing for delegations of Member States *today*, 19 November 1996, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors and Potential sponsors of draft resolution on General Assembly Agenmda Item 56 on Bosnia and Herzegovina, *today*, 19 November 1996, from 9.30 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Presentation

A presentation and discussion on "Caring for the Future: A Radical Agenda for Positive Change", organized by the Office of Development Studies of the United Nations Development Programme and the Society for International Development (New York Chapter), will take place *today*, 19 November 1996, at 5.30 p.m. in the Hank Shannon Conference Room (located on the 21st floor of DC1 Building). Mr. Anders Wijkman, Member of the Independent Commission on Population and Quality of Life, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support (BPPS) of UNDP, will be the speaker.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 20 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	60th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/51/108) [18 (h)].

2. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [41]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/512);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.20).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	46th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

(*Informal consultations*)

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2
morning*	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and

Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva (from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo, Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598)).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The resumed substantive session of 1996 (56th meeting) of the Economic and Social Council will take place on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 on Fifth Committee Matters on 20, 21 and 22 November at 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5 respectively.

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The first session of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty Organization will take place from 20 to 22 November 1996 at United Nations Headquarters. The opening meeting will begin on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. Representatives of States Signatories of the Treaty are reminded that credentials in due form signed by the head of State or Government, the foreign minister or other authority responsible for foreign affairs should be forwarded to the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (Room 3170C) as soon as possible.

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Briefings

Mr. Juma, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, will hold, on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6, an informal briefing for delegations on the outcome of the third meeting of the Convention on Biological Diversity, held in Buenos Aires from 4 to 15 November 1996. The informal briefing will be open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.

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The Chairperson of the Open-ended Working Group of the Commission on the Status of Women on the elaboration of a draft Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, Ms. Aloisa Wöergetter (Austria), will hold a briefing session on Friday, 22 November 1996, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Ms. Donna Sullivan (Centre for Women's Global Leadership) will be the speaker. All delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Forum

The United Nations World Television Forum, jointly organized by the United Nations Department of Public Information with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy and RAI - Radiotelevisione Italiana, will take place 21-22 November 1996 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Sessions will be held from 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. each day. The opening session will take place at 10 a.m. on 21 November, with statements by the United Nations Secretary General, the President of the General Assembly and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 15 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 39th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discuss of the sub-items.

The Director, UNESCO Liaison Office in New York, introduced the report of the Director-General of UNESCO.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, Mr. Ch. H. Paik, made a presentation.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, Mr. R. Lallah, made a presentation.

The representative of Myanmar made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the former Yugoslavia, Ms. E. Rhen, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan, Mr. Gáspár Biro, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi, Mr. P.S. Pinheiro, made a presentation.

The representative of Burundi made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur on the implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of all Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief, Mr. A. Amor, made a presentation.

The representatives of Greece, Egypt and Sudan, made statements.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cuba, Mr. Carl Johan Groth, made a presentation.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on internally displaced persons, Mr. Francis M. Deng, made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairperson reminded the Committee of the following: (a) That negotiations on all draft resolutions should be concluded by early next week and that delegations should submit them as soon as possible; (b) That the President of the General Assembly would not accept any request for extension of the date for conclusion of work; and (c) That on Monday, 18 November, the Committee will take action on all outstanding draft proposals on all items except for items 106 and 110.

40th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Argentina, Austria, Madagascar, Kuwait, Indonesia, Japan, Albania and Australia.

Crime prevention and criminal justice [101]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 101.

It was announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

In addition to the sponsors listed in the document, Guatemala joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Cuba made a statement and orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 101.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of item 105.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.12/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United Kingdom had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Secretary made oral corrections to the draft resolution.

The representatives of Ireland and Ukraine made statements.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Azerbaijan made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.13/Rev.1

It was announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cameroon (on behalf of the African Group) made a statement.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

The Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 105.

Advancement of women [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.18/Rev.1

The Chairman announced that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Philippines orally corrected the revised draft resolution.

It was announced that Austria, Germany, Italy, Malaysia, Norway, Spain, Sweden and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined as co-sponsors of the revised draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution, as orally corrected, without a vote.

Programme of Action of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.30

The representative of Australia introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Cyprus, El Salvador, Guatemala, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Spain and Uruguay, and orally revised it.

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.26

The Chairman announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The main sponsor, Nigeria, orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Afghanistan, Algeria, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Kenya, Liberia, Niger, Togo, Uganda and Viet Nam had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 96 to 17, with 37 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Ireland and Ghana.

After the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Nigeria.

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mr. M. Copithorne, made a statement.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement.

Right of Reply

The representatives of Iraq and Kuwait made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Monday, 18 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 25th meeting

Action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items and head statements by the representatives of Poland, Mexico, Israel (who introduced draft amendment A/C.1/51/L.54) and the Syrian Arab Republic.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Argentina, Costa Rica and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.27/Rev.2

Preambular paragraph 6 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 118 to 2 with 10 abstentions.

Draft resolution as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 98 to 2 with 32 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of India, Armenia, Oman, Uruguay, Australia, the Marshall Islands and Iraq.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, Morocco, Jordan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Draft amendment A/C.1/51/L.54 was adopted by a recorded vote of 61 to 28 with 33 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Ireland (who spoke on behalf of the European Union).

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.28/Rev.2 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Iraq and Israel.

A statement was made by the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

In explanation of position before the decision, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Brazil, the Syrian Arab Republic, Poland, the Russian Federation, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Romania and Mexico.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.48/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Pakistan and Algeria.

A statement was made by the representative of Indonesia.

Draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.11/Rev.2 was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to 2 with 1 abstention.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Ireland (who spoke on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLINIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 15th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [86]

The Chairman drew attention to the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations (A/51/230), as well as to a communication relating to the item.

The Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Peace-keeping Operations made a statement.

The representative of Egypt, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Special Committee for Peace-keeping Operations, introduced the report of the Special Committee contained in document A/51/230.

The general debate began with statements by the representatives of Ecuador, Tunisia, Ireland (also on behalf of the European Union, as well as by the following associated countries: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and Slovakia), Uruguay, Nepal, China, Norway, Jamaica (also on behalf of the 12 members of CARICOM which are members of the United Nations (Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago), Thailand (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Egypt, Bangladesh, as well as by the representatives of the Joint Inspection Unit who, in the course of their statements, introduced their reports contained in documents A/50/571 and 576.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item the same day at 6 p.m.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew members' attention to the draft resolutions (A/C.4/51/L.9 and A/C.4/51/L.10*) relating to agenda item 86 as well as to document A/C.4/51/L.11, relating to agenda item 19, which contains the amendments on the draft resolution on the Non-Self-Governing Territories in document A/51/23 (Part VI), chapter X, paragraph 17).

16th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [86]

The general debate continued with statements by the representatives of Malaysia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Pakistan, Ukraine, the Republic of Korea, Venezuela, Ghana, Nigeria, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Japan, Myanmar, Mozambique, the Philippines, Algeria, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ethiopia, Chile, as well as by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that during the week of 22 to 27 November 1996, the Committee would commence consideration of the remaining items on the agenda, namely, item 84 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) and item 85 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

SECOND COMITTEE

35th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

(a) External debt crisis and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.24

The representative of Costa Rica introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and Colombia on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

(b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.26

The representative of Costa Rica introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.28

The representative of Costa Rica introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(c) Trade and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.25

The representative of Kazakstan introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

The Council resumed consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.29

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.30

The representative of Malaysia introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Training and research [99]

(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Council resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of Cameroon introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

THIRD COMMITTEE

41st and 42nd meetings

Note: The summary of the 41st and 42nd meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/226).

SIXTH COMMITTEE

42nd meeting

United Nations Decade of International Law [145]

Statements were made by the representative of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) and by the Observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Chairman also spoke.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office of Geneva

MONDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 1996

272nd and 273rd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 f the Convention [4]

The Committee continued the consideration of the item and considered the second periodic report of Algeria (CAT/C/25/Add.8). In accordance with Rule 66 of the Rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee also adopted various decisions relating to organizational and other matters.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 1996

27th meeting

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights addressed the Committee.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda (E/C.12/1996/3).

Organization of work [2]

The Committee adopted its programme of work for the session (E/C.12/1996/L.2).

28th meeting

The Committee began and concluded hearings of non-governmental organizations on the implementation of the Covenant in a number of States parties.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 20 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Briefing by Mr. Norbert Holl, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan

Haiti (S/1996/813 and Add.1*)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 61st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/51/108) [18 (h)].

2. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [41]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/512);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.20).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 18th meeting — Conference Room 3

1. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [86] (A/51/98-S/1996/270; A/51/130; A/C.4/51/L.9, A/C.4/51/L.10*)

2. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination [89]: Amendment A/C.4/51/L.2; draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part III), chap. V, para. 12)

3. Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration (item 19): draft decision (A/51/23 (Part III), chap. VI, para. 11)

4. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations [90]: draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part IV), chap. VII, para. 16)

5. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [19]

   Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Tokelau, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands: Amendments A/C.4/51/L.11; draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part VI), chap. X, para. 17)

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.2 (item 12), A/C.2/51/L.26 and A/C.2/51/L.28 (item 94 (b))

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — closed meeting — Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposals

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 45th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/483/Add.2, A/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

   Continuation of general discussion

6. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.37 and L.38

7. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.33

3 p.m.-6 p.m. — 46th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions: [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

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2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/483/Add.2, A/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Continuation of general discussion

6. Advancement of Women [103]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.21**

7. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.31

8. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.23 and L.27

9. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.32 and L.35/Rev.1

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Human Resources Management (A/C.5/49/63, A/C.5/49/64, A/C.5/50/64, A/C.5/51/1, A/C.5/51/3, A/C.5/51/6, A/C.5/51/7, A/51/304 and Corr.1 and A/51/421 and Corr.1))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2

United Nations Decade of International Law [145] (A/51/278 and Add.1, A/C.6/51/ L.6,)

Informal consultations

Morning*- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on draft resolutions concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism

WORKING GROUP OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Open-ended informal consultations

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Integrated Management Information System project

2. Financing of the International Tribunal: Former Yugoslavia

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVETRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	56th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102, E/1996/L.57)
2. Elections [14] (E/1996/L.13/Add.3, E/1996/L.15/Add.3)
3. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: Business and development [6 (i)] (E/1996/106, E/1996/L.26/Rev.2*, E/1996/L.56)
4. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [13] (E/1996/97, E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1, CRP.5/Rev.1 and an informal paper on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 20 November 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on trade and development and on a draft resolution on food and sustainable agricultural development)

9.30 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on special session for the implementation of Agenda 21)

10 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on population)

10 a.m.-11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE TEST-BAN TREATY ORGANIZATION

First session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1st meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
(Third Committee matters)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: core group of assistants on Habitat)

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

3.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on current resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.-7 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Briefings

A briefing by thePermanent Mission of Canada on the evolving crisis in Eastern Zaire, including the implementation of Security Council resolution 1080 (1996), will take place *today*, 20 November 1996, from 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Mr. Juma, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, will hold, *today*, 20 November 1996, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6, an informal briefing for delegations on the outcome of the third meeting of the Convention on Biological Diversity, held in Buenos Aires from 4 to 15 November 1996. The informal briefing will be open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.

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Presentation

Representatives from United Nations Delegations, United Nations Staff and non-governmental organizations are cordially invited to attend an informal presentation by Ms. Minhchau Nguyen, Manager, Gender Analysis and Policy, Poverty and Social Policy Department, *today*, 20 November 1996, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Publications will be made available.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors and all interested delegations on a draft resolution on the Convention on Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel under item agenda item 86 *today*, 20 November 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 21 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 62nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [21]:

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/172-E/1996/77);

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/213, A/51/303, A/51/315, A/51/326, A/51/353, A/51/356, A/51/464, A/51/528 and A/51/560);

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian People: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/171-E/1996/75).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 2
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 45th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 21)

Delegations are reminded that informal consultations on draft proposals under item 21 and all its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on Friday, 22 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva (from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo, Provi-sional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598)).

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee Matters)* on 21 and 22 November at 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Briefing

The Chairperson of the Open-ended Working Group of the Commission on the Status of Women on the elaboration of a draft Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, Ms. Aloisa Wöergetter (Austria), will hold a briefing session on Friday, 22 November 1996, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Ms. Donna Sullivan (Centre for Women's Global Leadership) will be the speaker. All delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Forum

The United Nations World Television Forum, jointly organized by the United Nations Department of Public Information with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy and RAI - Radiotelevisione Italiana, will take place 21 and 22 November 1996 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Sessions will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. each day. The opening session will take place at 10 a.m. on 21 November, with statements by the United Nations Secretary General, the President of the General Assembly and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy.

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 18 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 41st meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective 0enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(d) *Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia, Mr. Thomas Hammarberg, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq, Mr. M. van der Stoel, made a presentation.

The representative of Iraq made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Rwanda, Mr. Rene Degni-Segui, made a presentation.

The representative of Rwanda made a statement.

Mr. Param Cumaraswamy, one of the Special Rapporteurs on independence of the judiciary and extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, made a report on the situation of human rights in Nigeria.

The representative of Nigeria made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, Mr. Bacre W. Ndiaye, made a presentation.

The Special Rapporteur responded to questions raised by the representatives of Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire and Nigeria.

In the general debate, statements were made by the representatives of Mauritania, United Arab Emirates, United States and Lebanon.

Organization of work

The Chairperson reported that the President had indicated there would be no extension of the work of the Main Committees beyond 29 November and she urged delegations to speed up negotiations and present their drafts in the course of the current week.

42nd meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(d) *Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, as well as the Czech Republic and Slovakia), Andorra, Chile, Cuba, the Russian Federation, Ukraine and China.

Advancement of women [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.17/Rev.1

The Chairperson announced that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Philippines further revised the text of the revised draft resolution and announced that Egypt, Fiji, Kyrgyzstan, Sri Lanka and Uruguay had joined as co-sponsors of the revised draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution, as further orally revised.

*Action on A/C.3/51/L.19**

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution, as orally revised at the time of its introduction, contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of New Zealand, also on behalf of Canada and Australia, further orally revised the text of the draft resolution and announced that Albania, Andorra, Azerbaijan, Cameroon, the Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ghana, Iceland, India, Italy, Jamaica, Kazakstan, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Malta, Niger, Niger, the Philippines, Singapore, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Philippines, the United Kingdom, the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States had joined as co-sponsors.

Subsequently, Japan and Uganda joined as co-sponsors.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement informing the Committee that his delegation had not joined as a co-sponsor of the draft resolution at the time it was introduced.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.31

The representative of Namibia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Belgium, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Fiji, France, Georgia, Guinea, Guyana, India, Japan, Malaysia, Mali, Mongolia, Peru, the Russian Federation, Seychelles, Thailand, the United Kingdom and Viet Nam introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

The representative of Djibouti made a statement in which he withdrew his delegation's co-sponsorship of the draft resolution.

Programme of Activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.30

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of New Zealand read out the revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

It was announced that the Congo, Kyrgyzstan, the Netherlands and the Philippines had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Japan.

The Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 107.

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.25

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Egypt made a statement in which he announced that Japan, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Niger had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution, after which Kyrgyzstan and Andorra also joined as co-sponsors.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 138 to 2, with 11 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Israel and the United States.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Norway and Argentina.

Subsequently, the observer for Palestine made a statement.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of sub-item 110 (a).

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.32

The representative of Mexico, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced the draft resolution.

It was announced that Kyrgyzstan and Peru had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairperson announced that other statements in exercise of the right of reply would be made at the end of the 44th meeting.

It was announced that action would be taken on Wednesday, 20 November, on the following draft resolutions: A/C.3/51/L.21* (item 103), L.23 and L.27 (item 108), L.31 (item 106), L.32, (item 110 (a)).

It was also announced that the Committee would hear introductions of draft resolutions as follows: (a) L.34 and L.35 (110 (a)) on Tuesday, 19 November; (b) L.37 (item 106) and L.33 (item 110(a)) on Wednesday, 20 November.

Right of Reply

The representative of Algeria made a statement in exercise of the right of reply.

Tuesday, 19 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3714th (closed) meeting

Recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

The Security Council considered the question of the recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Council had before it document S/1996/952, containing the text of a draft resolution submitted by Botswana, Chile, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Indonesia and the Russian Federation, which read as follows:

"*The Security Council*,

"*Having considered* the question of the recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations,

"*Recommends* to the General Assembly that Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali be appointed Secretary-General of the United Nations for a second term of office from 1 January 1997 to 31 December 2001."

As a result of the voting taken by secret ballot, the draft resolution received 14 votes in favour, one vote against and no abstentions. Since the negative vote was cast by a permanent member, the draft resolution was not adopted.

The Council will continue its consultations on the matter.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

59th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of His Excellency Mr. Ahmed Zaki, Permanent Representative of Maldives to the United Nations, and to the memory of His Excellency Mr. Paul J.F. Lusaka, former President of the General Assembly

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly observed one minute of silence in tribute to the memory of His Excellency Mr. Ahmed Zaki, Permanent Representative of Maldives to the United Nations, and to the memory of His Excellency Mr. Paul J.F. Lusaka, former President of the General Assembly.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The Assembly heard statements by the representatives of Cameroon (on behalf of the African States), Lebanon (on behalf of the Asian States), The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Jamaica (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Belgium (on behalf of the Western European and other States) and the United States (as host country).

The representative of Maldives made a statement.

The representative of Zambia made a statement.

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General trans-

mitting the third annual report of the International Tribunal (A/51/292-S/1996/665) [50]

The General Assembly took note of the third annual report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

Mr. Antonio Cassese, President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, Austria, Ireland, Malaysia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Netherlands, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belgium, Turkey, the United States, Germany, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Slovenia.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that agenda item 159 (Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion), originally scheduled for Tuesday, 19 November, was postponed to a later date to be announced.

The President also drew the attention of the Assembly to document A/INF/51/3/Rev.1/Add.2 which contained a tentative programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the remainder of November and the beginning of December 1996. The President further announced that the list of speakers for the items contained in document A/INF/51/3/Rev.1/Add.2 were open.

60th plenary meeting

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the third annual report of the International Tribunal (A/51/292-S/1996/665) [50]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Venezuela and Pakistan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 50.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [30]

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/380 and Add.1)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/51/L.8)*

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.8.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 477 (V) of 1 November 1950, the observer for the League of Arab States made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.8 (resolution 51/20).

The representative of Israel made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 30.

The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [40]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/338)

(b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.18)

The representative of Costa Rica (also on behalf of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama) made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.18.

Statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela, Colombia, Brazil, Norway, Argentina, Mexico, Chile, Japan, Uruguay, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), by Mr. Francis Leblanc, member of the Parliament of Canada, and by the representatives of the United States and Belize.

The General Assembly was informed that, in order to allow the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee to review the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/51/L.18, action on draft resolution would be taken at a later date to be announced.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLINIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 17th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [86]

The general debate continued with statements by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Kuwait, Brazil, Canada, Togo, Romania, Viet Nam, Guatemala (also on behalf of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama), Qatar, India, Slovakia, Belarus, Argentina, Indonesia, Cuba, Israel, Madagascar, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Zambia and Australia.

The representative of Malta informed the Committee that her delegation was aligning its position with the statement made by Ireland, on behalf of the European Union.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 43rd meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(b) *Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(c) *Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq, Barbados (on behalf of CARICOM), Brazil, Venezuela, Norway, Canada, Estonia and Bahrain.

The representative of Malta made a statement.

The observer for the Holy See made a statement.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of sub-item 110(a).

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.34

The representative of Canada, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced the draft resolution.

It was announced that Argentina, Bulgaria, Côte d'Ivoire, Italy, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania and Sweden had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.35

The representative of Poland, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Argentina, Belgium, Bulgaria, Chile, Hungary, Italy, Malta, Panama, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

44th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(b) *Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(c) *Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bangladesh, Turkey, Haiti, Malaysia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Right of reply

Statements were made by Israel, Niger, China, Sudan, Rwanda, Equatorial Guinea, Iraq, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Latvia, Lebanon, Indonesia, Turkey and Nigeria.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 30th meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Bangladesh, Saudi Arabia, China and Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada).

Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [117]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Chief of the Contributions Service.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, new Zealand and Canada), Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, Cuba and Uganda.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement in connection with agenda items 120 and 121.

Statements were also made by representatives of Uganda and the Russian Federation.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 43rd meeting

United Nations Decade of International Law [145]

Statements were made by the representatives of Romania, the Sudan, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ghana, Australia, Mongolia and Bolivia (on behalf of the Group of Rio).

The Chairman also spoke.

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY 178th meeting

Draft Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (documents A/AC.154/ 1996/CRP.1 and CRP.2)

The Chairman spoke.

The Rapporteur introduced the draft report.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States, Spain, China, France, the United Kingdom and Côte d'Ivoire.

The observer of Cuba also made a statement.

The Chairman spoke.

The Committee adopted Sections I-IV of its report, except for paragraph 67 (d).

Responsibilities of permanent missions to the United Nations and their personnel, in particular the problem of claims of financial indebtedness and procedures to be followed with a view to resolving the issues relating thereto

The Chairman of the Working Group on Indebtedness made a statement.

The Chairman spoke.

Other matters

The Chairman spoke.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office of Geneva

TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 1996

274th and 275th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 f the Convention [4]

The Committee continued the consideration of the item and considered the second periodic report of Uruguay (CAT/C/17/Add.16). In accordance with rule 66 of the Rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee adopted various decisions relating to this item in closed session.

Submission of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 1996

29th and 30th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 16 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic (E/1990/6/Add.7). In accordance with rule 62 of the Rules of procedure, a representative of the State party was present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Organization of work [2]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Relations with United Nations organs and other treaty bodies [7]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Signature: Japan (19 November 1996)

Agreement establishing the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development, concluded at Kuala Lumpur on 12 August 1977

Accession: Iran (Islamic Republic of) (18 November 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New United Nations stamps, souvenir card and annual collection folders

Today, 20 November 1996, the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a set of six commemorative stamps and a souvenir card to commemorate the "50th Anniversary of UNICEF". The denominations will be 32 cents, 60 cents, F.s. 0,70, F.s. 1,80, S 5.50 and S 8. Details about the new stamps will be available in an information circular.

The 1996 New York, Geneva and Vienna Annual Collection Folders will be released also on 20 November.

The new stamps, first day covers, souvenir card, annual collection folders and hand cancellations can be obtained by members of Delegations and staff members at the north end of the Secretariat Lobby *today*, 20 November 1996, from 9 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. and at the UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., however, there will be no hand cancellations at this location.

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Presentation of a gift

A gift from the Government and People of Italy will be presented to the United Nations by His Excellency Mr. Lamberto Dini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy on Thursday, 21 November 1996, at 12.30 p.m. The presentation of the gift, a sculpture entitled "Sphere within a Sphere" by Italian artist Arnaldo Pomodoro, will take place on the terrace north of the Visitors' Entrance to the General Assembly Building. The Secretary-General will receive the gift on behalf of the United Nations.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 21 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 1070 (1996) (S/1996/940)

Other matters

Morning*	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

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* Following the adjournment of the 10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled. *Today*'s briefing will take place in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 62nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [21]:

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/172-E/1996/77);

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions:

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/213, A/51/303, A/51/315, A/51/326, A/51/353, A/51/356, A/51/464, A/51/528 and A/51/560);

(ii) Draft resolutions (A/51/L.22 and L.24).

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian People: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/171-E/1996/75).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-11 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.10 (item 97 (a)) and A/C.2/51/L.17 (item 96 (c))

11 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.28 (item 94 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.24 (item 94 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.27 (item 99 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.8 (item 98), A/C.2/51/L.12 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.29 and L.30 (item 12)

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m. 47th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

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* To be issued.

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/483/Add.2, A/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13, A/C.3/51/15, A/C.3/51/16*)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

Continuation of general discussion

6. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.36

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111] (A/49/368, A/49/943, A/49/985, A/C.5/50/51, A/51/5 (Vol. I-IV), A/51/5/Add.1-10, A/51/283, A/51/488 and Add.1 and 2, A/51/523 and A/51/533)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [117] (A/51/505 and A/51/523)

Conclusion of general discussion

3. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [140] (A/48/622, A/48/912, A/49/654, A/49/906 and Corr.1, A/49/936, A/50/684, A/50/797, A/50/907, A/50/965, A/50/976, A/50/983, A/50/985, A/50/995, A/50/1009, A/50/1012, A/51/389, A/51/646, A/C.5/50/51 and A/C.5/51/8)

Continuation of general discussion

4. Human resources management [120] (A/C.5/49/13, A/C.5/49/60 and Add.1 and 2 and Add.2/Corr.1, A/C.5/50/2 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.8 and A/C.6/51/7)

General discussion

5. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141] (A/50/945, A/50/1004, A/50/1005, A/51/302, A/51/305, A/51/432, A/51/467, A/51/486 and A/51/430 and Corr.1)

Conclusion of general discussion

Informal consultations

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Programme planning (A/51/6 (Perspective), A/51/6 (Note), A/51/6 (fascicle), A/5 1/6 (Prog.9)/Rev.1, A/51/6 (Prog.11)/Rev.1, A/51/16 (Parts I and II), A/C.5/51/10 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/19 and A/C.6/51/8 and Add.1-2))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 2

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts [142] (A/51/215 and Corr.1 and Add.1)

Informal consultations

Morning*-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism

3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session

WORKING GROUP ON THE QUESTION CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER RELATED TO THE ASSISTANCE TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE CHARTER

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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* Following the adjournment of the 45th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 21 November 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
(Fifth Committee matters: proposal to be presented by the Movement in the informal on the discussion of item 114 (Programme planning: medium-term plan))

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: communications)

9.30 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ASIAN GROUP
(on candidatures)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: industrial cooperation for developement)

10 a.m.-12 noon	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE TEST-BAN TREATY ORGANIZATION

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(Third Committee matters: on the draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development)

4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Forum

The United Nations World Television Forum, jointly organized by the United Nations Department of Public Information with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy and RAI (Radiotelevisione Italiana), will take place *today*, 21 November 1996, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The sessions will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The opening session will take place *today*, at 10 a.m. with statements by the United Nations Secretary General, the President of the General Assembly and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 22 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	46th meeting	Conference Room 2
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of hte 46th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

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SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 20 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

61st plenary meeting

Statements on the occasion of the seventh Africa Industrialization Day

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/51/108) [18 (h)]

The President announced that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, Algeria, the Dominican Republic, Italy and the Russian Federation would each propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

Since, from among the Asian States, there were two candidates for one vacancy, the General Assembly proceeded to select by secret ballot one State from among the Asian States that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, would propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required majority, Jordan was selected to propose a candidate.

The President announced that he would propose a list of five candidates to the General Assembly for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit after holding the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 18.

Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [41]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/512)

(b) Draft Resolution (A/51/L.20)

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.20.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Andorra, Argentina, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), the Philippines, Benin, South Africa, Mongolia, Romania, Belarus, Ecuador, by Mr. P.M. Rantao, member of the Parliament of Botswana and by the representative of El Salvador (also on behalf of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama).

The General Assembly was informed that action on draft resolution A/51/L.20 was postponed to a later date to be announced.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLINIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 18th meeting

Note: The summary of the 18th meeting of the Fourth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/228).

THIRD COMMITTEE 45th and 46th meetings

Note: The summary of the 45th and 46th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/228).

SIXTH COMMITTEE 44th meeting

United Nations Decade of International Law [145]

Statements were made by the representatives of Singapore (on behalf of ASEAN), Cuba, the Russian Federation, Mozambique, China, Belarus, Algeria, Ukraine, Kazakstan, South Africa and Nicaragua.

The Chairman made a statement.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

56th meeting

Note: The summary of the 56th meeting of the Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/228).

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office of Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 1996

276th and 277th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 f the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the second periodic report of Poland (CAT/C/25/Add.9). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee adopted various decisions relating to this item in closed session.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 1996

31st and 32nd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 16 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the second periodic report of Portugal (E/1990/6/Add.8). In accordance with rule 62 of the Rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the States Parties at their eighth meeting on 22 May 1995

Acceptance: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (19 November 1996)*

International Coffee Agreement, 1994, adopted by the International Coffee Council on 30 March 1994

Accession: Philippines (18 November 1996)*

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction, opened for signature at Paris on 13 January 1993

Ratification: Swaziland (20 November 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Estonia (20 November 1996)*

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, concluded at Basel on 22 March 1989

Ratification: Bolivia (15 November 1996)*

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 21 November 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 22 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1340th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

3 p.m.	(closed meeting)	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on draft proposals submitted under item 21:

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance:

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

(A/51/L.22, L.24, L.25)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [84] (A/51/13, A/51/369, A/51/370, A/51/371, A/51/439, A/51/476, A/51/495, A/51/509, A/50/915-S/1996/235.)

2. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations [90]: draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part IV), chap. VII, para. 16).

3. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [19]

   Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Tokelau, Turks and Caicos Islands and United States Virgin Islands: Amendments A/C.4/51/L.11; draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part VI), chap. X, para. 17).

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/483/Add.2, A/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/ 194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/ 10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13, A/C.3/51/15, A/C.3/51/16*)

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

   Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

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   Continuation of general discussion

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.40 and L.41

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6. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

Action on draft proposals A/C.3/51/L.37 and L.38

7. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/L.23/Rev.1 and L.27/Rev.1

8. Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.33 and L.34/Rev.1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 111 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/49/368, A/49/943, A/50/985, A/C.5/50/51, A/51/5 Vols.I-IV, A/51/5/Add.1-10, A/51/283, A/51/488 and Add.1-2, A/51/523 and A/51/533))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	46th meeting	Conference Room 2

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [143] (A/51/257 and Add.1)

Informal consultations

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning the report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

* Following the adjournment of the 46th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism

* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations concerning the report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia

2. Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/51/30)

COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

3 p.m.- 3.30 p.m.	179th meeting	Conference Room 7

Consideration of the draft recommendations contained in paragraph 67 (d) of the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (A/AC.154/1996/CRP.2)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

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ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: population and industrial cooperation for development)

10 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: external debt crisis and development)

10 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE TEST-BAN TREATY ORGANIZATION

First session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 4

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: global financial integration)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS (PROGRAMME 19)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
(on General Assembly Plenary agenda items)

3.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

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Forum

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (UNPREDEP) will be held *today*, 22 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 25 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	64th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the United Nations system [48]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	35th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	36th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	50th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	51st meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 2

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 2

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The 225th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Tuesday, 26 November 1996 at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 27 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, to hear briefings by: (a) the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development on the Special session of the General Assembly on Agenda 21; (b) the President of the General Assembly; and (c) the Chairman of the Fifth Committee.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 20 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) **18th meeting**

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [86]

The general debate concluded with statements by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Georgia, New Zealand, Zimbabwe, Jordan and Fiji.

Draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.9

The representative of Canada introduced draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.9.

The Secretary of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) made a statement on programme budget implications relating to A/C.4/51/L.9.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), China and Costa Rica.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question posed to him by the representative of Ireland.

Following a statement by the representative of the United States requesting for a 24-hour deferral of consideration of the draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.9, the Committee decided, upon the proposal by the Chairman, to continue consideration of the draft resolution at a later meeting.

*Draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.10**

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The representative of Ukraine then introduced draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.10*, in the course of which he introduced oral revisions to the draft.

The Chairman announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee decided to take action on draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.10*, as orally revised.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/51/L.10*, as orally revised, without a vote.

Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination [89]

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Ireland, on behalf of the European Union, introduced amendments A/C.4/51/L.2 to the draft resolution on foreign economic interests (A/51/23 (Part III), chapter V, paragraph 12).

The representative of Papua New Guinea, in his capacity as Acting Chairman of the Special Committee of 24, in the course of his statement, introduced further amendments to A/C.4/51/L.2.

Further statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Cuba, China and Colombia.

The representative of Ireland responded to a question posed to him by the Chairman.

The representative of the United Kingdom made a statement regarding the proposal made by the Chairman.

Document A/C.4/51/L.2

The representative of Cuba requested for a recorded vote on the amendments.

The Committee took action on the amendments, submitted by Ireland, on behalf of the European Union, contained in document A/C.4/51/L.2, as follows:

By a recorded vote of 49 to 56, with 18 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 1.

By a recorded vote of 46 to 62, with 17 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 2.

By a recorded vote of 46 to 68, with 12 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 3.

By a recorded vote of 47 to 66, with 12 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 4.

By a recorded vote of 47 to 66, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 5.

The Committee adopted the amendment, as further orally amended, contained in paragraph 6, without a vote.

By a recorded vote of 45 to 66, with 14 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 7.

By a recorded vote of 46 to 62, with 13 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 8 (a).

By a recorded vote of 47 to 66, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 8 (b).

By a recorded vote of 45 to 65, with 13 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 8 (c).

By a recorded vote of 48 to 64, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 9.

By a recorded vote of 48 to 65, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 10 (a).

By a recorded vote of 48 to 64, with 12 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 10 (b).

By a recorded vote of 48 to 66, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 11 (a).

By a recorded vote of 45 to 65, with 12 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 11 (b).

By a recorded vote of 48 to 65, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 12.

By a recorded vote of 48 to 66, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 13.

By a recorded vote of 45 to 69, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 14.

By a recorded vote of 46 to 68, with 12 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 15.

By a recorded vote of 46 to 69, with 11 abstentions, the Committee did not adopt the amendment contained in paragraph 16.

A/51/23 (Part III), chapter V, paragraph 12

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, contained in A/51/23 (Part III), chapter V, paragraph 12, as a whole, as orally amended, by a recorded vote of 87 to 44, with no abstention.

Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration [19]

The Committee adopted the draft decision contained in document A/51/23 (Part III), chapter VI, paragraph 11, by a recorded vote of 87 to 46, with no abstention.

Organization of work

The Committee decided, on the proposal of the Chairman, to set Friday, 22 November, at 12 noon, as the deadline for submission of draft proposals relating to agenda item 84 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) and agenda item 85 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

THIRD COMMITTEE 45th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Belarus and Tunisia.

The observer for the Holy See made a statement.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.37

The representative of Uruguay introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed on the document, as well as Australia, Cape Verde, Fiji, Singapore, Swaziland and Ukraine.

The representative of Uruguay then announced that Jamaica was sponsoring the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and that the names of Uruguay and Venezuela should therefore be deleted from the list of sponsors.

Subsequently, the Marshall Islands, Viet Nam, Guatemala and Bulgaria joined as co-sponsors to the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of sub-item 110 (a).

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.33

The representative of Denmark, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution. It was announced that Bulgaria and Portugal had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statement by the Chairman of the Working Group of the Third Committee

The Chairman of the Working Group of the Third Committee made a statement. On the proposal of the Chairperson, the Committee agreed to recommend to the Plenary of the General Assembly that item 110(b) be kept open in order that the Working Group of the Third Committee might continue its work in 1997.

46th meeting

Note: The summary of the 46th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/229).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

56th meeting

Elections [14]

The Council continued consideration of agenda item 14.

Committee on New and Renewable Source of Energy and on Energy for Development

The Council had before it document E/1996/L.15/Add.3.

The Council elected by acclamation Mr. William Michael Mebane (Italy) and Mr. Dmitri B. Volfberg (Russian Federation) to serve on the Committee for a term beginning on 1 January 1997.

Committee on Natural Resources

The Council had before it document E/1996/L.13/Add.3.

The Council elected by acclamation Mr. Vladislav M. Dolgopolov (Russian Federation) to serve on the Committee for a term beginning on 1 January 1997.

Commission on Human Settlements

The Council elected Belarus by acclamation to serve on the Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1997.

The Council thus concluded consideration of agenda item 14.

Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to general Assembly resolution 50/106 [6]

(i) Business and development

*Action on draft resolution E/1996/L.26/Rev.2**

The Council continued consideration of the item and had before it documents E/1996/L.26/Rev.2* and E/1996/L.56.

The Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Karel Kovanda (Czech Republic), informed the Council of the results of the informal consultations held on the text.

The representative of the United States of America informed the Council that the following States had joined in sponsoring of the draft resolution: Brazil, Chile, Pakistan, Peru, Mozambique and Uruguay. The representative of Côte d'Ivoire subsequently informed the Council that his Government was also joining in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States then orally revised the text.

The representative of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) informed the Council that on the basis of the consensus reached on the text contained in document E/1996/L.26/Rev.2*, as orally revised, the amendments set out in document E/1996/L.56 were withdrawn.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Colombia, Australia, China, Egypt, the United States, Lebanon, South Africa, Czech Republic, Japan, the Central African Republic, Malaysia and the Philippines.

The Council then adopted the draft resolution as orally revised.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) and the United States.

The Council thus concluded consideration of agenda item 6(i) and of agenda item 6 as a whole.

Non-governmental organizations [10]

Action on draft decision E/1996/L.57 (Programme budget implications in E/1996/L.58)

The Council continued consideration of the item and was informed that a statement of programme budget implications was contained in document E/1996/L.58.

The Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Karel Kovanda (Czech Republic), informed the Council of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft decision.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, the United Kingdom, the United States, Germany, the Czech Republic, the Russian Federation, China and the Congo.

The representative of the United States took the floor on a point of order.

The meeting was suspended.

The representative of Germany then read out an oral decision.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Tunisia, the United States, China and Germany.

The representative of the Russian Federation took the floor on a point of order.

The Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs of the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development (DPCSD) responded to questions raised and indicated that the Secretariat agreed to provide, to the organizational session for the Economic and Social Council, an assessment of ways and means to deal with the documentation requests emanating from the Committee on Non-governmental Organizations for its session in 1997.

On the proposal of the President, the Council decided to postpone consideration of the matter to the organizational session for 1997.

The Council then took note of the report contained in document E/1996/102.

The Council thus concluded consideration of agenda item 10.

Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [13]

The Council continued consideration of agenda item 13.

The Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Karel Kovanda (Czech Republic), informed the Council of the results of the informal consultations held on the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the Czech Republic and Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs of DPCSD made a statement and indicated that the Secretariat agreed to prepare a revised draft agenda for the 1997 session of the Council based on the recommendations of General Assembly resolution 50/227.

On the proposal of the President, the Council decided to postpone consideration of the matter to the organizational session for 1997.

The Council thus concluded consideration of agenda item 13.

The President declared closed the substantive session of the Council of 1996.

Thursday, 21 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

62nd plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [21]:

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/172-E/1996/77);

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions:

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/213, A/51/303, A/51/315, A/51/326, A/51/353, A/51/356, A/51/464, A/51/528 and A/51/560);

(ii) Draft resolutions (A/51/L.22 and L.24)

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian People: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/171-E/1996/75)

The representative of Bulgaria made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.22.

The representative of Cameroon made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.24.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia), Norway, Lebanon, China, Mozambique, Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), the Russian Federation, Japan, the Sudan, Canada, the Republic of Korea, the United States, Liberia and Belarus.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed of the following additions to its programme of work contained in document A/INF/51/3/Rev.1/Add.2: on Wednesday, 27 November, in the morning, the Assembly would consider agenda item 42 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity), agenda item 26 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization) and agenda item 159 (Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion).

63rd plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [21]

(a) *Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/172-E/1996/77)*

(b) *Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions*

(i) *Reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/213, A/51/303, A/51/315, A/51/326, A/51/353, A/51/356, A/51/464, A/51/528 and A/51/560)*

(ii) *Draft resolutions (A/51/L.22 and L.24)*

(d) *Assistance to the Palestinian People: report of the Secretary-General (A/51/171-E/1996/75)*

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Malaysia, Argentina, Egypt, Israel and the United Arab Emirates.

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 3237 of 22 November 1974 and 43/177 of 15 December 1988, the observer of Palestine made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/6 of 16 October 1990, the observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The President also informed the General Assembly that action on draft resolutions A/51/L.22 and A/51/L.24 and any other draft resolutions to be submitted under this item would be taken at a later date to be announced.

The President further informed the Assembly that the Assembly would consider sub-item (c) of agenda item 21 (Emergency assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan) at a later date to be announced.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that on Wednesday, 27 November, at 9.30 a.m., in Conference Room 4, the General Committee would meet to consider a request by a number of countries for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration" (A/51/232).

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 47th meeting

Note: The summary of the 47th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/229).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 31st meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

The representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement.

The Auditor-General of Ghana and Chairman of the Board of Auditors made a concluding statement.

The Assistant Administrator and Director for the Bureau for Finance and Administration for the United Nations Development Programme, the Deputy Executive Director for Policy and Administration for the United Nations Population Fund, the Deputy Executive Director for the United Nations Children's Fund and the Deputy Director for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made statements.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion of this agenda item.

Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [117]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

The Chairman proposed an oral decision that the Committee take note of the reports contained in documents A/51/505 and A/51/523.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the oral decision as proposed by the Chairman.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [140]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Nepal, Nigeria, Canada, Algeria, Uganda, the United States and Pakistan.

The Deputy Director for the Peace-keeping Financing Division and the representative of the Field Administration and Logistics Division of the Department of Peace-keeping Operations responded to questions posed.

Human resources management [120]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Administration and Management made a statement.

The President of the Staff Committee also made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Cuba, Algeria, Zimbabwe, Canada and Pakistan.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Norway, Botswana and Kuwait.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, China, Algeria, Cuba, Colombia, Costa Rica, Singapore and Portugal as well as by the Chairman.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 45th meeting

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and Relating to the Protection of Victims of Armed Conflicts (A/51/215 and Corr. 1 and Add.1) [142]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, the Republic of Korea, Brazil, Sweden and Switzerland and by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Chairman made a statement.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 25 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Angola (S/1996/960)

UNPREDEP (S/1996/961)

Somalia

Western Sahara (S/1996/931)

Other matters

4.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary General of the United Nations

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	64th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the United Nations system [48]

FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 3rd meeting of the General Committee will take place on Wednesday, 27 November 1996, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider requests for the inclusion of two additional items (A/51/232 and A/51/233) [8].

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 4

General debate, consideration of and action on draft resolution(s) on agenda item 62 (The question of Antarctica) (A/51/390)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 3

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [84] (A/51/13, A/51/369, A/51/370, A/51/371, A/51/439, A/51/476, A/51/495, A/51/509, A/50/915-S/1996/235; A/C.4/51/L.12 to 18).

2. Report the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [85](A/51/99 and Add.-2, A/51/310, A/51/407, A/51/411, A/51/429, A/51/514, A/51/516, A/51/517, A/51/518, A/50/915, A/C.4/51/L.19-L.23)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	36th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Sectoral policy questions [95]

   (b) Food and sustainable agricultural development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.38

2. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.2

3. Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

   (c) Trade and development

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.25

4. Sustainable development and international economic co-operation [96]

   (a) Implementation and follow-up to major consensus agreements on development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/51/L.13 and L.32

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	50th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	51st meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [110] (A/53/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/81, A/51/87, A/51/90, A/51/114, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/C.3/51/9)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)] (A/51/201, A/51/395, A/51/453 and Add.1, A/51/457, A/51/480, A/51/506, A/51/536, A/51/539, A/51/542 and Add.1* and Add.2*, A/51/552, A/51/555, A/51/558, A/51/561, A/51/641, A/51/650, A/51/153, A/51/170, A/51/290, A/C.3/51/6, A/C.3/51/17)

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.39 (Programme budget implications in L.51), L.45, L.46, L.47, L.48, L.50, L.52, L.54, L.56, L.57, L.58, L.60, L.62, L.65, L.70, L.71

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)] (A/51/347, A/51/459, A/51/460, A/51/466, A/51/478, A/51/479, A/51/481, A/51/483 and Add.1, A/51/490, A/51/496, A/51/507, A/51/538, A/51/556, A/51/557, A/51/651, A/51/657, A/51/660, A/51/663, A/51/665, A/483/Add.2, A/496/Add.1, A/51/80-S/1996/194), A/51/189, A/51/203-E/1996/86, A/51/204, A/51/271, A/51/532-S/1996/864, A/C.3/51/3, A/C.3/51/8, A/C.3/51/10, A/C.3/51/11, A/C.3/51/12, A/C.3/51/13, A/C.3/51/15, A/C.3/51/16*)

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.40, L.41, L.43, L.44, L.53, L.55, L.59, L.61, L.63, L.64, L.66, L.68, L.69

4. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)] (A/51/36)

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.67

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [110 (e)] (A/51/36)

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.42

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Programme planning (A/51/6 (Perspective), A/51/6 (Note), A/51/6 (fascicle), A/51/6 (Prog.9)/Rev.1, A/51/6 (Prog.11)/Rev.1, A/51/16 (Parts I and II), A/C.5/51/10 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/19, A/C.6/51/8 and Add.1-2, A/C.5/51/26 and A/C.5/51/31))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 2

1. United Nations common system [121] (E/1993/119 and Add.1, A/50/30 and Add.1, A/C.5/50/23, A/51/30, A/C.5/51/24 and A/C.5/51/25 and Corr.1)

   Introduction

2. United Nations pension system [122] (A/51/9 and Corr.1, A/51/644 and A/C.5/51/4)

   Introduction

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

   (a) Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council (A/C.5/51/20)

   (b) Budget for the International Seabed Authority (A/C.5/51/21 and A/51/7/Add.2)

   Introduction and general discussion

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Financing of the International Tribunal: Rwanda

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 25 November 1996

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: draft resolution on communications for development)

9.30 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: draft resolution on population and development)

10 a.m.-11a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: draft resolutions on theWorld Summit for Children and on trade and development)

10 a.m.-12 noon	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (item 21))

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

CENTRAL AMERICAN GROUP

4 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: on all outstanding draft resolutions currently under negotiations)

6 p.m.-7 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Informal meetings

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) will be held on Monday, 25 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) will be held on Monday, 25 November 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (UNOMIL) will be held on Monday, 25 November 1996, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 26 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	65th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall	

Report of the Security Council (A/51/2) [11].

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	37th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	38th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	52nd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	53rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed meeting)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed meeting)	Conference Room 6

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 21)

Delegations are reminded that informal consultations on draft proposals under item 21 and all its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on Tuesday, 26 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The Extended Bureau of the Committee of Information will hold consultations with the Department of Public Information on Tuesday, 26 November 1996 at 12 noon in Room S-1027.

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The 225th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Tuesday, 26 November 1996 at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, 29 November 1996, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977. All Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies and observers are invited to attend.

Screening of films

On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films from Friday, 29 November to Thursday, 5 December 1996, in the Dag-Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, at 1 p.m.

Exhibition

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibition entitled "Preserving the Legacy, A New Dawn of Hope" on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibition will be displayed in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from Friday, 29 November, to Thursday, 5 December 1996.

The formal opening of the exhibition is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Friday, 29 November 1996, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Ad Hoc Informal Open-ended Support Group to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons in 1999 will meet on Monday, 9 December 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Items on the agenda for the meeting include an introduction on general aspects of the Year, national efforts in preparation of the Year (delegates are invited to provide inputs) and preparations by non-governmental organizations for the Year. All delegations are invited to participate.

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Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA

The seventh meeting of the ad hoc open-ended working group on rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Wednesday, 27 November 1996, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 27 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, to hear briefings by: (a) the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development on the Special session of the General Assembly on Agenda 21; (b) the President of the General Assembly; and (c) the Chairman of the Fifth Committee.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 20 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 46th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items. Statements were made by the representatives of Kazakstan, Colombia, Croatia, Viet Nam, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, El Salvador, Pakistan and Nigeria.

Advancement of women [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.21**

The Secretary of the Committee read out a statement of programme budget implications.

The representative of Norway orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that the Bahamas, Belgium, Bhutan, Burundi, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Kenya, Malta, Namibia, Peru, Rwanda, the Solomon Islands, Thailand, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the United Kingdom, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee then decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of document A/51/277.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the item.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/51/L.38

The representative of Costa Rica introduced a proposed amendment to draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.37 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.31

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee read out oral revisions made at the time of introduction.

It was announced that Belarus, Bulgaria, Colombia, Guinea-Bissau, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Monaco, Paraguay, Rwanda, Samoa, San Marino and the United Kingdom had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Malta.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of sub-item 110 (a).

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.32

The Chairman informed the Committee that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The representative of Mexico made a statement.

It was announced that Nigeria and Yemen had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.35/Rev.1

The Chairman informed the Committee that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The representatives of Mali and Poland made statements.

It was announced that Peru, the Philippines, Ukraine, France, Canada, Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Mauritius, El Salvador, Ecuador, Kyrgyzstan, Venezuela, the United Kingdom, the United States, Guatemala, Japan, Austria, Nepal, Rwanda, the Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Fiji, Mongolia, Nigeria, the Marshall Islands and Eritrea had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

Right of reply

The representative of Burundi made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Thursday, 21 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

47th meeting

Human rights questions [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

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(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cyprus, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Myanmar, Benin, Kenya, Algeria, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Nicaragua, the United States, Morocco, Bulgaria, Romania, Latvia and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110(b)]

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.36

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution.

Right of reply

The representatives of China, Nigeria and Iraq made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Friday, 22 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 19th and 20th meetings

Note: The summary of the 19th and 20th meetings of the Fourth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/230).

THIRD COMMITTEE 48h and 49th meetings

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SIXTH COMMITTEE 46th meeting

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [143]

Statements were made by the representatives of Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Cuba, Turkey, Ghana and Ireland (on behalf of the European Union and Associate States).

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Seventeenth session
United Nations Office of Geneva

THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 1996

278th and 279th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 f the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the initial report of Georgia (CAT/C/28/Add.1).

In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

The Committee also concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Poland (CAT/C/25/Add.9).

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered various issues relating to the item.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Commission continued its consideration of the item.

FRIDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 1996

280th meeting

The High Commissioner for Human Rights addressed the Committee.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee adopted various decisions relating to the item in closed session.

Closure of the session

The Chairman declared closed the seventeenth session of the Committee.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 1996

33rd and 34th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 16 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of Portugal in respect of Macao (E/1990/6/Add.8).

In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

The Committee began its consideration of the third periodic report of Belarus (E/1994/104/Add.6). In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 1996

35th and 36th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 16 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee continued, in private meeting, its consideration of the second periodic report of Portugal in respect of Macao (E/1990/6/Add.8).

The Committee continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Belarus (E/1994/104/Add.6). In accordance with rule 62 of the Rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement Establishing the Bank for Economic Cooperation and Development in the Middle East and North Africa, done on 28 August 1996

Signature: Russian Federation and United States of America (22 November 1996)

International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995, concluded at Geneva on 17 February 1995

Ratification: Austria (20 November 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, concluded at Vienna on 23 May 1969

Ratification: Costa Rica (22 November 1996)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, adopted at the Fourth Meeting of the Parties at Copenhagen on 25 November 1992

Accession: Liechtenstein (22 November 1996)*

Convention on Biological Diversity, opened for signature at Rio de Janeiro on 5 June 1992

Ratification: Belgium (22 November 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Cameroon
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Mpay
Chargé d'affaires

Asian States:
Lebanon
H.E. Mr. Samir Moubarak

Eastern European States:
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
H.E. Mr. Denko Maleski

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Miss M. Patricia Durrant

Western European and Other States:
Belgium
H.E. Mr. Alex Reyn

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